

# Policy on Raw Materials with Animal Origin



**Responsible: Sustainability Manager**

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Nilorn takes responsibility for the production of labels and branding products in our own production facilities and extends the same principals and expectations to our external supply chain, with the Code of Conduct as a basis. As a supplier of labels and branding products made from materials sometimes derived from animal origin, we recognize our responsibility to protect animal welfare.

“The Five Freedoms recommendation” (World Organization by Animal Health) provide guidance in the area of animal welfare:

- Freedom from hunger and thirst
- Freedom to express normal behavior
- Freedom from discomfort
- Freedom from fear and distress
- Freedom from pain, injury and disease

Nilorn works to secure materials from responsible sources and with respect for animal welfare. All Suppliers or Companies subscribing to this policy must follow national and international legislation regarding animal welfare.

Animal-based materials are only obtained as a by-product and not the sole purpose of the slaughter of an animal and never from vulnerable or endangered species that appear on the CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species) or IUCN (International Union for the Conservation of Nature) lists.

- Down, feather and fur – Nilorn does not accept down or feathers from live plucked animals or birds
- Leather and skins must only be sourced from the following species:
  - Cow (leather and hair-on hides)
  - Buffalo
  - Pig
  - Sheep (leather, hair-on hides and shearling)
  - Goat
- Leather and skin must not originate from forced abortion or culling of lambs at birth
- Leather and skin must not originate from Indian cow, calf or ox.
- Wool must not originate from sheep that have been subject to mulesing
- Only hair from living and domesticated animals is allowed, including but not limited to sheep, goat, alpaca, llama, camel, cow, buffalo, yak, horse and pig.
- Hair and wool must not originate from animals that have been handled, harvested or sheared in a way that harmed the animals.
- Real fur must not be used
- Angora and/or rabbit hair must not be used